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**REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
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Application Number	09/676,017
Filing Date	September 29, 2000
First Named Inventor	Bruno Maran
Group Art Unit	1765
Examiner Name	Vanessa Perez-Ramos
Attorney Docket Number	851063.453

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. Previously submitted
 - i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on June 18, 2003
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
 - ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 - iii. Other _____
- b. Enclosed
 - i. Amendment/Reply
 - ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 - iv. Other _____
2. **Miscellaneous**
 - a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
 - b. Other _____
3. **Fees**

The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

 - a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No 19-1090.
 - i. RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
 - ii. Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
 - iii. Other _____
 - b. Check in the amount of \$ 1570 enclosed
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FEE TRANSMITTAL

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TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT	(\$)	1570

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FEE CALCULATION					
1. BASIC FILING FEE					
Large Entity	Small Entity				
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1001	750	2001	375	Utility filing fee	
1002	330	2002	165	Design filing fee	
1003	520	2003	260	Plant filing fee	
1004	750	2004	375	Reissue filing fee	
1005	160	2005	80	Provisional filing fee	
SUBTOTAL (1)				(\$ 0)	
2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE					
Total Claims		Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid	
Independent Claims		** =			
Multiple Dependent		** =			
Large Entity	Small Entity				
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	
1202	18	2202	9	Claims in excess of 20	
1201	84	2201	42	Independent claims in excess of 3	
1203	280	2203	140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	
1204	84	2204	42	** Reissue independent claims over original patent	
1205	18	2205	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent	
SUBTOTAL (2)				(\$ 0)	

** or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see above

FEE CALCULATION (continued)						
3. ADDITIONAL FEES		Large Entity		Small Entity		
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description		Fee Paid
1051	130	2051	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath		
1052	50	2052	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet		
1053	130	1053	130	Non-English specification		
1812	2520	1812	2520	For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination		
1804	920*	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action		
1805	1840*	1805	1840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action		
1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month		
1252	410	2252	205	Extension for reply within second month		
1253	930	2253	465	Extension for reply within third month		
1254	1450	2254	725	Extension for reply within fourth month		
1255	1970	2255	985	Extension for reply within fifth month		
1401	320	2401	160	Notice of Appeal		
1402	320	2402	160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal		
1403	280	2403	140	Request for oral hearing		
1451	1510	1451	1510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding		
1452	110	2452	55	Petition to revive – unavoidable		
1453	1300	2453	650	Petition to revive – unintentional		
1501	1300	2501	650	Utility issue fee (or reissue)		
1502	470	2502	235	Design issue fee		
1503	630	2503	315	Plant issue fee		
1460	130	1460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner		
1807	50	1807	50	Processing fee for provisional applications		
1806	180	1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt		
8021	40	8021	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)		
1809	750	2809	375	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))		
1810	750	2810	375	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))		
1801	750	2801	375	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)		750
1802	900	1802	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application		
Other fee (specify) Extension Fee (3 months minus 1 month)					SUBTOTAL (3)	(\$ 1570)

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